

REMARKS

I. Election

The Applicant affirms the election of Group I, claims 1-13. Claims 14-20 are hereby cancelled.

II. Drawings

The Office Action states that the drawings filed on November 30, 2003 are accepted by the Examiner. However, formal drawings were filed on December 21, 2004, in response to a Notice To File Corrected Application Papers. Indication of acceptance of the formal drawings filed on December 21, 2004 in the next Office Action is requested.

III. Allowable Subject Matter

The Applicant appreciates the finding that claims 4 and 10-13 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form to include the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claim 4 originally depended directly from claim 1. Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of original claim 4, and claim 4 has been cancelled. Claims 2, 3 and 5-9 depend directly from amended claim 1. Likewise, claim 10 originally depended directly from claim 1, and claim 10 has been amended to include all the limitations of original claim 1. Claims 11-13 depended directly from amended claim 10. Thus claims 1-3 and 5-13 are now in condition for allowance.

IV. 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 and 103 Rejections

The 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 and 103 rejections are moot in light of the claims having been amended into allowable form.

V. Conclusion

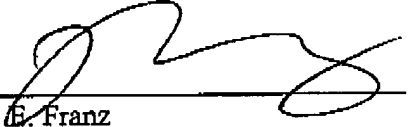
The Applicant respectfully submits that all pending claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully requests that the Examiner issue a Notice of Allowability in due course.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees and credit any overpayment associated with this response to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 501432, ref: 783403-605019.

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